

Every Vinita Child of School Age Should be Required to Attend Some School

WILL GREER'S CHANCES POOR

Physicians Find it Necessary to Remove a Kidney.

THE WOMAN'S STORY.

She is Out on Bond—Says Jealousy on Husband's Part is Unwarranted; Greer is Innocent of Any Wrong.

The latest information from Muskogee is that Will Greer, formerly of this place, who was shot Friday night by a dentist named Black, has a poor chance to recover. His mother and sister, who reside at Seneca, went down several days ago and have not returned. Dr. Fite, assisted by other physicians found it necessary to remove one of the wounded man's kidneys which is an operation seldom had recourse to; in fact only in extreme cases. Black is being held without bail, though his wife has been permitted to give bond. Mrs. Black's story is that her husband accused her of receiving attentions from Greer, and that with threats forced her to go with him to Greer's office to get an explanation. When they reached Greer's office they all went to Black's office. She said that as soon as they were inside Black closed the door and began firing. Greer sprang upon him and took the revolver from him. Mrs. Black insists that Greer is innocent, and that her husband once before had threatened to kill her on account of jealousy. She is a dentist and worked in the office with her husband. They came from Pine Bluff, Ark., and the man was a hard drinker and had been on a debauch before the shooting of Friday night.

**Best Liniment on Earth.**  
Henry D. Baldwin, Superintendent City Waterworks, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of Liniment, but have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for Rheumatism and pains. I think it the best Liniment on earth." 25c, 50c and \$1 a bottle at Peoples drug store. dw

**KATY EXCURSION RATES**  
Points Available—Dates on Application to Agent.

Southeast:—To all points east of the Mississippi river (including Memphis, Tenn., Vicksburg, Miss., New Orleans, La.) on a line drawn from Memphis, Tenn., via the Illinois Central Ry. to Central City, Ky., Tennessee, Pennsylvania, Va., thence along the northern state lines of North Carolina to the Atlantic ocean.

North:—To points in the State of Arkansas, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska and Illinois west of a line drawn via the Vandalia line, St. Louis to Effington, Ill., thence Illinois Central Ry. to Chicago. Also to Denver, Col., Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Trinidad and intermediate points.

Old Mexico:—Agua Calientes, Celaya, Durango, Guadalajara, Mexico City, Monterey, San Luis Potosi, Silao, Toluca and Zacatecas.

Rate:—One regular standard (not temporarily reduced) fare plus two dollars for the round trip. Children half fare.

**A Very Close Call**  
"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale without any appetite, and all run down. As I was about to give up I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by Peoples drug store. Price 50c. dw

**Look, Look.**  
If you want to buy the best flour in town go to W. L. Davenport & Son and get you a sack of Yellow Kid flour at \$1.10 a sack—he sells for cash. drf

FORTUNE IN PORPOISES.

Many of the White Cetaceans Frequent the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and Are Valuable.

American tourists crossing the St. Lawrence from the mouth of the Saguenay can almost always enjoy the sight of a number of porpoises sporting themselves upon the water in the neighborhood of Tadoussac, says the New York Sun. The great white cetaceans appear like shapeless masses of blubber as their arched backs show from time to time above the surface. They are doubtless attracted to the mouth of the Saguenay by the large number of salmon which enter the river throughout the season.

A large industry is expected soon to spring up in various parts of the Gulf of St. Lawrence in connection with the hunting of porpoises. It has already been attempted upon a small scale, but the difficulty of capturing any great number of the animals has stood in the way of success. Now the difficulty has been overcome through the observations and experiments of Campbell McNab, a Canadian hunter, who has spent many years in the study of these animals.

The adult porpoise of the St. Lawrence and the North Atlantic ocean is from 12 to 18 feet in length. It somewhat resembles a dolphin in shape, with large dorsal fin and a mouth armed with many strong and sharp teeth. Each porpoise is believed to eat from one to three barrels of fish a day, so that it is difficult to estimate the frightful ravages which they make among the salmon, the herring and the cod. They are largely gregarious, though they often hunt their prey in couples. Mr. McNab has often peered over the edge of an overhanging rock to watch them catch salmon at the mouth of a stream and sometimes along distances up a river, where they follow their prey. They chase a salmon into a shallow and then two approach it from either side. The salmon appears unable to move, as if paralyzed with fear. If it attempts to rush from one of his pursuers he falls into the open mouth of the other.

The porpoise is equally expert in fishing for the slippery eel. Mr. McNab opened one of these animals the other day and found more than 40 eels in its stomach. To prevent their wriggling, and to aid digestion, the porpoise cracks the skull of the eel between its teeth before swallowing it.

Like the eel, the porpoise can live a long time out of the water. In fact, it is virtually amphibious. Some time ago Mr. McNab shot a number of the animals which had been hauled ashore and bound together by their tails. After skinning another lot at some distance and taking out the blubber, he turned a few days later to the lot which had been last shot. Unknown to him one had not been killed outright. As he passed in front of it it growled at him "like a dog," he says, and opened its jaws to snap him. The porpoises are captured by being imprisoned at low tide on the shoals, over which they have journeyed when the tide was high, in pursuit of their prey. Hitherto the difficulty has been to find any barrier strong enough to retain such enormously strong, heavy beasts, and so many of them together as are sometimes enclosed. Mr. McNab has made the interesting discovery that the enormous nets through which they often broke are not necessary to hold back the brutes. They are unable to stand the slightest vibration in the water, and so all that the hunter now finds necessary is to fasten a long thin pole like a fishing rod to a stake in the mouth of the stream, the bay or the estuary within which it is desired to retain the porpoises. They remain to be stranded and killed upon the shoals rather than venture past the vibrating rod.

This sensitiveness is believed to have its seat in the ear of the animal, which has so small an opening that it might almost have been made with a pin. For years McNab has held firmly to this theory, only to be laughed at for his pains. He has now proved it beyond peradventure, and has reaped the fruit of his persistence. At one tide the other day he secured 69 of the animals on the shoals of the Portneuf river a few miles below Tadoussac, and next year will pursue operations there upon a larger scale. He has secured a nine year lease of the shoal from the government and has apparently a fortune within easy reach. The skin and oil from a single porpoise are worth from \$30 to \$50.

The utmost caution has to be taken not to drive the animals away from their haunts. If any of the food or refuse of their dead is permitted to reach the water, Mr. McNab declares, they will desert the place entirely. This is the explanation he gives of the present absence of porpoises from the River Ouelle and other places on the banks of the St. Lawrence, where a few years ago many of them were annually killed. The porpoise, he says, is one of the most intelligent animals created.

Dozens of Cherokee allottees are regarded as possessed of enough intelligence to be admitted to practice law before the United States supreme court but they may not sell any portion of their lands. Away with such folly.

Clarence Hedges killed W. O. Williams over a red headed woman (all tent dwellers) at Tulsa, recently, but was exonerated by the commission.

MEN WANTED FOR THE ARMY

Recruiting Office Will Open at Vinita Thursday.

A CHANCE TO ENLIST.

Young Men Desiring to Serve Their Country are now Offered the Opportunity at \$13 a Month and Found.

Serg't. John E. Snyder came in this morning from Joplin for the purpose of establishing a recruiting station and Thursday it will be opened by a man sent for this purpose. The station will be maintained here for several months and "young men, physically sound, of good moral character, between the ages of 21 and 35" are invited to enlist for all branches of the regular army. Men for mounted service will be sent to Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis; for foot service to Columbus, Ohio; old soldiers, when accepted, may go to any post or regiment in the U. S. Proposals for bids for furnishing meals have already been prepared and sent out, meeting the government's requirements, and as speedily as possible a suitable office room will be secured and as fast as recruits are signed a lieutenant will come down, accompanied by a surgeon, and if passed, the men will be sworn in. Their subsistence and pay will begin from date of enlistment. The pay of every man entering the army is \$13 a month and everything furnished except washing; one dollar a month extra after two years. All applicants are required to give satisfactory evidence of good moral character and must also be single men.

Serg't. Snyder is a Pennsylvanian and spent three years in the Philippines. Since his return has been connected with the recruiting service and has the distinction of being the youngest recruiting sergeant in the army.

**R-I-P-A-N-S** Tablets  
Doctors find  
A good prescription  
For mankind.

The 5-cent packet is enough for usual occasions. The family bottle (50 cents) contains a supply for a year. All druggists sell them. dw

In Bed Four Weeks With La Grippe.

We have received the following letter from Mr. Roy Kemp, of Angola, Ind.: "I was in bed four weeks with la grippe and I tried many remedies and spent considerable for treatment with physicians, but I received no relief until I tried Foley's Honey and Tar. Two small bottles of this medicine cured me, and now I use it exclusively in my family." Take no substitutes. For sale at Peoples drug store. dw

To Whom it May Concern.

I desire to warn all persons that I will not pay certain promissory notes as follows: One for \$35.30, due Nov. 10, 1903; one for \$35.30, due Dec. 10, 1903; one for \$35.30, due Jan. 10, 1904, given to J. P. Toombs for life insurance. J. H. WIMER. J7dlm

Shakespeare Merchant of Venice is next on the Board, Jan. 9.

Isaac W. Beeler of Miami, has been granted a patent on a churn operating device.

The Union News Company supplants the Vamoy on the Choctaw. It already operates on the Katy.

The Schumann concert last night was a good one, but as usually happens, the guarantee which the company got was greater than the receipts.

The way to build Vinita into a model city is for every property owner to do something besides talk.

It is expected there will be something like twenty bids of different kinds submitted to council tonight in connection with the waterworks and sewer contracts.

The city is full of well dressed strangers who are hoping to capture Vinita's \$55,000 contract tonight.

The Extremely Low Prices We are Making

On Cloaks, Suits, and Separate Skirts Should Clear them Out at once . . . . .

Cloaks \$3.00 to \$10.00  
Suits \$3.75 to \$9.75

They are Worth Twice These Prices

Skirts from 98c to \$6.00

A Cut of at Least 50 Per Cent on Each Garment

If you are interested you should make your selections at once as the quantities are limited. At the low prices we make they will soon move out.

Badgett-Sanders Mer'le Co.

Time to Put on Glasses

Is when your eyes begin to feel badly, and when this feeling is not due to organic disease. If you wait or put on ill fitting glasses you may either lose your sight or weaken it. One cannot afford to trifle with the greatest gift of nature—perfect sight. I will test your eyes and fit each eye separately with the proper glass so your vision, if defected from errors or refraction, will again be made perfect. Should the services of a physician or oculist be required I will frankly tell you so.

Nickle Frame Spectacle From \$1.00 up  
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